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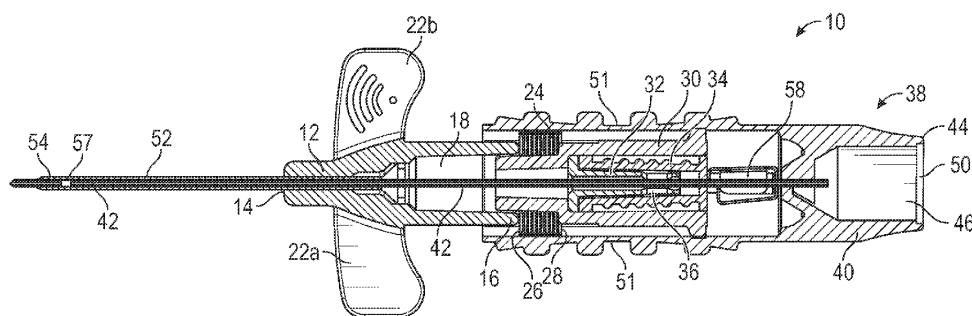


FIG. 1C

(57) **Abstract:** A catheter system (10) includes a catheter adapter (12), which may include a distal end, a proximal end, and a lumen extending through the distal end of the catheter adapter and the proximal end of the catheter adapter. The catheter system includes a concertinaed tube (24), which includes a distal end coupled to the proximal end of the catheter adapter. The concertinaed tube is disposed in a collapsed position and movable between the collapsed position and an expanded position. The catheter system includes a luer connector (30), which is coupled to a proximal end of the concertinaed tube. The catheter system includes a needle assembly (38), which includes a needle hub (40) and an introducer needle (42) extending distally from the needle hub. The concertinaed tube and the luer connector are disposed within the needle hub.

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